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REVEALS A NEWLY OBSERVED

ROUTE 6/65 BY-PASS ROAD IN EARLY TO MID STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION IN  
THE MUANG LIET AREA IN LAOS.

A. THE BY-PASS ROAD EXTENDS SOUTHWEST FROM ROUTE 65 AT 2026N  
10411E (UTM VH158600), 1.3 NM SOUTHEAST OF THE JUNCTION OF ROUTES  
6 AND 65, TO MUANG NGA AT 2025N 10410E (UTM VH147591). VEHICLE  
TRACKS ARE OBSERVED TO THIS POINT. THE ROAD CONTINUES IN EARLY  
STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION SOUTHWEST TO 2024N 10410E (UTM VH130565);  
WEST TO BAN KHANG KHO AT 2023N 10407E (UTM VH088556); THEN NORTHWEST  
ALONG THE NW BANK OF THE HOUAY SOUAN NOI (RIVER) TO ITS JUNCTION  
WITH ROUTE 6 AT 2025N 10404E (UTM VH039581) 1.5 NM EAST OF SAM  
NEUA. THE LATTER PORTION OF THE ROAD IS ONLY INTERMITTENTLY UNDER  
CONSTRUCTION.

E. VEHICLE TRACKS EXTEND WEST FROM THE BY-PASS ROAD AT MUANG  
NGA TO PROBABLE CAVE STORAGE AT UTM VH136590.

C. CLUMPS OF VEGETATION HAVE BEEN PLACED IN SEVERAL PLACES  
ON THE ROAD BED IN AN ATTEMPT TO CAMOUFLAGE IT. THE ROAD IS  
PRIMARILY STRAIGHT INDICATING A LOW GRADE. WHEN COMPLETED THIS  
ROAD WILL BY-PASS MUANG LIET AND THE CHOKE POINT ON ROUTE 6 JUST  
SOUTHWEST OF MUANG LIET.

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GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES FROM USATC SERIES 200 SHEET 0616-23HL  
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